

ST PATRICK - LIFE, LEGEND, MYTH & RELEVANCE

This year we get to return to normal - parades, craic and even special church services - mostly craic! And an extra Bank Holiday to help us out.

Patrick had many other fellow Christians in Ireland long before he arrived. Most notably Conor MacNessa, High King of Ireland, and Cormac MacAirt, a convert of the 3rd Century.

Christianity arrived in Ireland more by a long slow process rather than simply by one person. Trading and ruling parties brought their religious and cultural influence from Britain, Germany, Spain, France and Portugal. So Christian influence was well established before 432AD when Patrick arrived.

Captured at 16 and rescued at 22 by concerned Christians, he felt the call to return. Arriving in Ireland in 432AD, landing in Wicklow and operating out of islands along the Skerries Coast and Saul, Co Down. He was helped by those who preceded him - St Ciaran (Offaly), St Ibar (Wexford), St Abban (Wexford), St Declan (Waterford) and St Ailbhe (Tipperary). These were all contained in the Leinster region. A vibrant missionary church and well established. Patrick went north and west - where no one else had penetrated in order to baptise, ordain and confirm. We get a sense of Patrick from the letters he wrote - "Letter to Corotitus" and his "Confessio".

In the present day St Patrick is a unifying force for the various strands of Christianity in Ireland and a shared figure in our ecumenical endeavours, celebrated by all church traditions and even revered among Muslims as a pre-Islamic holy figure.

This year we will not go green, but blue and yellow in solidarity with Ukraine.

Apparition Hill Film

A film about Medjugorje. On 25th March 2022 the Legion of Mary welcome you to the Gilloly Hall, Sligo to enjoy this film at 8:30pm.

The Way of Gentleness - Strandhill

A personal enrichment journey for Lent. St Patrick's Church, Strandhill. Mondays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March and 4th April. Livestream also available churchservices.tv/strandhill

Trócaire Collection

Envelopes for the special collection are available in every church. Tell the story to your family that's on the Trócaire box and use it to pray for those in need with your family.

Mullaghmore Masses

Saturday Evening Mass returns to Mullaghmore at 6:30pm every Saturday evening beginning 2nd April

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Sunday 13th March 2022

Second Sunday of Lent



Join us for every mass from Grange Church online through our Facebook Page

Adoration every Thursday, 7-9pm, Grange Church

Cliffoney Masses

Saturday 12th March	2:00pm	Baptism x2
Sunday 13th March	10:30am	Second Sunday of Lent Hugh McGloin & wife Teresa and siblings Patrick & Mary, Castlegal and Dublin Kathleen Oates (Month's Mind) Eddie John Higgins (Month's Mind) Gus & Danny McHugh John Harrison (2nd Anniversary) Mark Hannon (11th Anniversary)
St. Patrick's Day Thursday 17th March	10:30am	
Friday 18th March	10:00am	Enrollment Mass Feast of St Cyril
Sunday 20th March	10:30am	Third Sunday of Lent
Collection: €697		Diocesan Needs: €133

Grange Masses

Saturday 12th March	8:00pm	Tommy & Annie Gilroy
Sunday 13th March	12 noon	Aidan McGowan, Carns John Pa Leonard (Month's Mind)
Monday 14th March	9:30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday 15th March	9:30am	For the People of Ukraine
Wednesday 16th March	9:30am	Mass with 6th Class
	8:00pm	Vigil Mass of St Patrick's Day
St. Patrick's Day Thursday 17th March	12 noon	Hugh O'Reilly
Saturday 19th March	2:00pm	Baptism x2
	8:00pm	Eileen Haran, Rinroe (2nd Anniversary) Evan Doyle, Augharrow (3rd Anniversary) and his grandmother Elizabeth McTiernan and Kevin Duggan, Clonmel
Sunday 20th March	12 noon	Third Sunday of Lent
Collection: €591		Diocesan Needs: €108

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

- Sr Bríd O'Dea, died 5th March, and her sister, Sr Eileen O'Dea, died 8th March. Both sisters of the late Martin O'Dea Ardnaglas, Grange and formerly Ahena, Claremorris. Our sympathy to their nieces Grace, Larkin, Ardnaglass & Karen, Boston and nephew Shane, Luxembourg.
- Michael James Burns, Moneygold, Grange. Died 5th March 2022. Our sympathy to his wife Mary Anne; daughters Mary, Agnes, Margaret Rooney, Beatrice & Patricia; son Michael; son-in-law Francie Joe; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; sisters Agnes Forrest, Waterford & Margaret McLoughlin, Vero Beach, Florida; nieces, nephews and cousins in America, England and Ireland. Funeral Mass took place on 10th March at Grange Church with burial in Ahamlish Cemetery.
- Jim Meehan, Drumcliffe. Died 8th March. Our sympathy to his daughters Clara & Emma, their mother Ann, grandson Philip, sons-in-law Kevin & Brian, sisters Patricia & Antionette Kilfeather, brother Noel, sister-in-law Eithne nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Funeral Mass took place in Rathcormac Church on Friday 11th March with burial in Drumcliffe Cemetery.
- Tom O'Connor, Navan. Died 10th March. Father of Antionette Noynihan who gives our children the programme "Children of the Eucharist".

St Patricks Day Parade

Back after two years. Come out and celebrate. 2pm start.

St Patrick's Day Mass Cards

Available at Gala Shop Cliffoney, Grange Post Office and Grange Supervalu.

Food Collection and Jumble Sale for Ukraine

At Cliffoney Hall on Saturday 19th March, 11am - 3pm. Long sell by dates please for food collection. All funds going to Ukraine.

St Vincent de Paul, St Therese's Branch - Grange

Thanks to all who contributed to recent Christmas collections for our branch. We spent €28,000 last year all thanks to your generosity.

Welcome

Welcome to Lavina Galappaththige who joins her parents Randika & Dishalia, sisters and baby brother in Ireland from Sri Lanka. So happy for all of you.

Thanks to Sligo County Council

Our thanks from Grange village to the County Council workers who spent three days giving the village a deep clean last week.